

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE**

In response to the Office Action dated as mailed on May 4, 2005, it is respectfully requested that the application be amended as indicated below and the following remarks considered. As this response is being filed within three months of the date of mailing of the Office Action, the response should be considered timely filed, with no petition for any Extension of Time required.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 19 of this Amendment.